

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

## CHILDREN'S DIVISION

P. O. BOX 88

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

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**What's Inside:**Increase in  
Clothing and  
Infant Allowance**M E M O R A N D U M**

TO: REGIONAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, CIRCUIT MANAGERS, AND  
CHILDREN'S DIVISION STAFF

FROM: PAULA NEESE, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: INCREASE IN CLOTHING AND INFANT ALLOWANCE

## DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform staff of the increase to the clothing and infant allowance effective July 1, 2009. The rates for the annual clothing allowance were increased for all children. The new rates for the annual clothing allowance are:

Age birth to 5	\$250
Age 6-12	\$290
Age 13+	\$480

The new infant allowance increases the age of children receiving the diaper allowance from 24 months to 36 months of age.

Changes have been made to the Child Welfare Manual Section 4 Chapter 11 Subsection 1 and Attachment A to show the new clothing and infant allowance rates.

**NECESSARY ACTION:**

1. Review this memorandum with all Children's Division staff.
2. Review revised Child Welfare Manual chapters as indicated below.
3. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels and directed to:

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**CHILD WELFARE MANUAL REVISIONS:**

Section 4 Chapter 11 Subsection 1 [Referral Process](#)

Section 4 Chapter 11 Attachment A [Standard Payment Rate for Foster Family](#)

<a href="#">Alternative Care</a>
<b>FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS</b> N/A
<b>REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES</b> N/A
<b>RELATED STATUTE</b> N/A
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE RULE</b> N/A
<b>COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION (COA) STANDARDS</b> N/A
<b>CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REVIEW (CFSR)</b> N/A
<b>PROTECTIVE FACTORS</b> Parental Resilience-N/A Social Connections-N/A Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development-N/A Concrete Support in Times of Need-N/A Social and Emotional Competence of Children-N/A
<b>FACES REQUIREMENTS</b> N/A